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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

SIR:

In response to that Interview Summary mailed 09/26/2007, concerning the Interview of 9 August

2007, Applicant respectfully wishes to clarify that agreement was reached as set forth below.

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In lieu of the prior two-group restriction requirement, the Examiner proposed that there were at least the following groupings:

Group 1) 165, 599, 901, 902, 903, 910, 918 (no censoring)

Group 2) 409, 843, 871, 893, 894, 895, 896, 917, 949 (image associated with member) Group 3) 1, 170, 435, 604, 876, 877, 878, 884, 885, 891, 892, 955, 956, 957, 959, 960, 961, 962, 973, 974, 975, 976, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 985, 986, 987, 988 (explicit mentioning censoring based on user identity) 909, 916, 989 (using privileges or

permissions)

Group 4) 977 (presenting user with alternatives)

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which was changed, by agreement, to add claim 871 to Group 1, and 953 and 958 to Group 3. As such, agreement was reached that the groupings of the restricted claims is at least as follows:

Group 1) 165, 599, 901, 902, 903, 910, 918, 871 (no censoring)
Group 2) 409, 843, 893, 894, 895, 896, 917, 949 (image associated with member)
Group 3) 1, 170, 435, 604, 876, 877, 878, 884, 885, 891, 892, 953, 955, 956, 956, 957, 959, 960, 961, 962, 973, 974, 975, 976, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 985, 986, 987, 988 (explicit mentioning censoring based on user identity) 909, 916, 989
Group 4) 977 (presenting user with alternatives).

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and favorable action is requested. If the prosecution of this case can be in any way advanced by a telephone discussion, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (312) 240-0824.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with the above-identified patent application or credit any overcharges to Deposit Account No. 50-0235, and if any extension of time is needed, this shall be deemed a petition therefor. Please direct all communication to the undersigned at the address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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